

CENSUS OF IRELAND

FOR THE YEAR

1881.

PRELIMINARY REPORT

WITH

ABSTRACT

OF THE

ENUMERATORS' SUMMARIES

CONTAINING THE FOLLOWING

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MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We the Commissioners appointed under the Census (Ireland) Act (43 & 44 Vic., cap. 28), beg, in accordance with Section 10 of that Act, to lay before your Excellency the following Abstract of the information obtained by the Census Enumerators on the 3rd of April, 1881.

In presenting this Abstract we beg to state that the arrangements for taking the Census of Ireland in 1881 were commenced in October, 1879, and that in accordance with the instructions of the Government, the plans for carrying out the work had been prepared, and all the preliminaries completed when the Commission was appointed on 8th December, 1880.

The Country was divided into 207 Enumeration Districts, each under the supervision of a Sub-Inspector of the Royal Irish Constabulary, or an Officer of the Dublin Metropolitan Police, to whom was assigned the duty of superintending the taking of the Census. These Superintendents of Enumeration comprised 201 Officers of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and 2 Officers and 4 Ex-Officers of the Dublin Metropolitan Police. Each Superintendent had under his direction a certain number of Enumerators amounting in the total to 4,251—viz., 4,086 Constables or Sub-Constables of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and 173 Constables of the Dublin Metropolitan Police.

We have much pleasure in stating that this organization has worked successfully, and that no serious difficulty has been experienced in the progress of the work.

All the necessary Forms and Instructions were issued so that they might be in the hands of the Superintendents before the 14th of March, on which day it was directed that the parcels of forms should be opened and the distribution commenced.

The distribution of the Forms was completed on the 2nd of April, and their collection commenced on the 4th of April.

Each Enumerator on completing the collection of the Forms for his district proceeded to make a Summary of the results. From these Summaries the following Report and accompanying Tables have been compiled.

The present Return relates to the more important territorial divisions only and to the principal Cities and Towns. It differs from the corresponding Return presented in 1871, by including all Parliamentary Boroughs and all towns having in 1871 a population of 10,000 or upwards, and by giving the statistics of the Suburban Townships of Dublin separately instead of in combination.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

5,159,839 Persons (2,522,804 Males and 2,637,035 Females) were returned in the Enumerators' Summaries as constituting the population of Ireland on the night of Sunday, the 3rd of last April—thus showing a decrease since 1871 of 252,533 persons, or 4·7 per cent.—the decrease in the number of males was equal to 4·4 per cent., and in the number of females to 4·9 per cent.

There was during the decade a decrease of 60,261 persons, or 4·5 per cent. in the Province of Leinster; 69,575, or 5·0 per cent. in the Province of Munster; 93,686, or 5·1 per cent. in the Province of Ulster; and 29,016, or 3·4 per cent. in the Province of Connaught.

The number of inhabitants in each of the Provinces and in all Ireland in 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871, and 1881 respectively, and the Decrease between 1871 and 1881 are shown in the following Statement:—

Persons.

PROVINCIAL SUMMARY of the last five Decennial Enumerations.

PROVINCES.	NUMBER OF PERSONS IN					INCREASE OR DECREASE BETWEEN 1871 AND 1881.		
	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	Increase.	Decrease.	Ratio per cent.
Leinster, . . .	1,983,169	1,683,320	1,467,436	1,339,431	1,279,199	—	60,251	4.5
Munster, . . .	2,404,460	1,853,600	1,313,538	1,293,485	1,325,910	—	69,576	5.0
Ulster, . . .	2,389,263	2,013,879	1,514,236	1,333,238	1,739,342	—	93,560	5.1
Connaught, . .	1,421,705	1,012,479	913,135	846,213	817,197	—	29,016	3.4
Total of Ireland, .	8,199,597	6,574,378	5,798,967	5,412,377	5,159,839	—	252,538	4.7

* Including 600 persons of age on Census night of 1881 who were returned upon English shipping forms only.

The Decrease of Population in Ireland between 1861 and 1871 amounted to 6.7 per cent. as against 4.7 per cent. between 1871 and 1881; in the Province of Leinster the decrease between 1861 and 1871 amounted to 8.1 per cent., between 1871 and 1881 to 4.5 per cent.; in the Province of Munster the decrease between 1861 and 1871 was 7.9 per cent., between 1871 and 1881 it was 5.0 per cent.; in the Province of Ulster the decrease between 1861 and 1871 was 4.2 per cent., between 1871 and 1881 it was 5.1 per cent.; and in Connaught it was 7.3 per cent. between 1861 and 1871, and 3.4 per cent. between 1871 and 1881.

The following Statement shows by Counties and Provinces and for the total of Ireland the Per-centage of Increase or Decrease between 1861 and 1871, and between 1871 and 1881.

PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.	PER-CENTAGE OF INCREASE OR DECREASE IN POPULATION				PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.	PER-CENTAGE OF INCREASE OR DECREASE IN POPULATION			
	Between 1861 and 1871.		Between 1871 and 1881.			Between 1861 and 1871.		Between 1871 and 1881.	
	Increase.	Decrease.	Increase.	Decrease.		Increase.	Decrease.	Increase.	Decrease.
LEINSTER :					ULSTER :				
Carlow County, . .	—	9.6	—	10.0	Antrim County, . .	9.6	—	4.7	—
Dublin " " . .	—	1.2	3.2	—	Armagh " " . .	—	3.7	—	9.2
Kildare " " . .	—	8.1	—	9.0	Cavan " " . .	—	8.6	—	8.3
Kilkenny " " . .	—	13.2	—	9.4	Down " " . .	—	8.0	—	5.9
King's " " . .	—	15.7	—	4.3	Donegal " " . .	—	5.0	—	8.0
Longford " " . .	—	10.0	—	5.8	Fermanagh " " . .	—	12.3	—	8.8
Louth County and County of the Town of Drogheda,	—	7.4	—	6.9	Londonderry " " . .	—	5.6	—	5.3
Meath County, . .	—	13.4	—	9.7	Monaghan " " . .	—	9.1	—	10.6
Queen's " " . .	—	12.0	—	9.0	Tyrone " " . .	—	9.5	—	8.6
Wexmouth " " . .	—	13.7	—	9.8	Total, . . .	—	4.2	—	5.1
Woolford " " . .	—	7.8	—	6.8					
Wicklow " " . .	—	9.0	—	6.1					
Total, . . .	—	8.1	—	1.6					
MUNSTER :					CONNAUGHT :				
Ches County, . .	—	11.1	—	9.3	Galway County, . .	—	8.0	—	1.2
Cork " R.F., . .	—	6.2	—	6.2	Lettin " " . .	—	8.7	—	0.1
" " W.R., . .	—	2.8	—	1.7	Mayo " " . .	—	3.6	—	0.7
Kerry " " . .	—	2.6	2.0	—	Donegal " " . .	—	10.6	—	6.3
Limerick " " . .	—	11.7	—	7.7	Sligo " " . .	—	7.5	—	3.9
Tipperary " S.R., . .	—	14.3	—	10.1	Total, . . .	—	7.3	—	3.4
" " S.R., . .	—	12.0	—	6.7					
Waterford " " . .	—	8.2	—	8.2					
Total, . . .	—	7.0	—	5.0	TOTAL OF IRELAND,	—	6.7	—	4.7

There was an Increase between 1871 and 1881 in the Population of three Counties, *Persons* viz., Antrim, which increased 4·7 per cent.; Dublin, 3·2 per cent.; and Kerry, 2·0 per cent. There was a Decrease in the Population of all the other counties, ranging from 10·8 per cent. in Monaghan, 10·1 per cent. in Tipperary, N.R., and 10·0 per cent. in Carlow; to 5·2 per cent. in Galway, 1·7 per cent. in Cork, W.R., and 0·7 per cent. in Mayo.

The following Tabular Statement presents to view the Counties arranged in order of Per-centage as to Increase or Decrease between 1871 and 1881:—

COUNTIES IN WHICH THE POPULATION HAS INCREASED. ARRANGED IN ORDER OF PER-CENTAGE OF INCREASE.					COUNTIES IN WHICH THE POPULATION HAS DECREASED, ARRANGED IN ORDER OF PER-CENTAGE OF DECREASE.				
County.	Population.		Amount of Increase.		County.	Population.		Amount of Decrease.	
	1871.	1881.	Total.	Per-centage.		1871.	1881.	Total.	Per-centage.
Antrim, .	404,015	423,171	19,156	4·7	Monaghan, .	114,505	102,590	12,915	10·8
Dublin, .	403,263	418,182	12,890	3·2	Tipperary, N.R., .	95,017	84,196	10,821	10·1
Kerry, .	194,586	200,468	5,882	2·0	Carlow, .	81,650	76,598	5,052	10·0
					Meath, .	95,558	86,501	9,057	9·7
					Kilkenny, .	109,379	99,054	10,325	9·4
					Armagh, .	178,360	162,823	15,537	9·2
					Kildare, .	85,414	76,162	9,252	9·0
					Queen's, .	79,771	72,598	7,173	9·0
					Fermanagh, .	83,784	84,433	6,611	8·8
					Westmeath, .	78,432	71,513	6,919	8·8
					Tyrone, .	215,705	197,233	18,472	8·6
					Cavan, .	149,735	129,008	20,727	8·5
					Waterford, .	135,810	113,235	22,575	8·3
					Down, .	203,440	169,937	33,503	8·0
					Limerick, .	191,936	177,203	14,733	7·7
					Louth, .	84,921	76,258	8,663	6·9
					Wexford, .	153,466	133,567	19,899	6·8
					Tipperary, S.R., .	123,806	114,808	8,998	6·7
					Wicklow, .	78,387	73,379	5,008	6·4
					Roscommon, .	140,170	131,755	8,415	6·3
					Cork, E.R., .	243,844	232,509	11,335	6·2
					Leitrim, .	95,562	86,735	8,827	6·0
					Donegal, .	218,334	205,443	12,891	5·9
					Longford, .	64,501	60,790	3,711	5·8
					Londonderry, .	173,906	164,714	9,192	5·3
					Clare, .	147,824	141,210	6,614	4·5
					King's, .	75,000	72,066	2,934	4·5
					Sligo, .	115,493	110,935	4,558	3·9
					Galway, .	249,720	241,662	8,058	3·2
					Cork, W.R., .	173,252	170,211	3,041	1·7
					Mayo, .	244,768	243,630	1,138	0·7

According to the Summaries furnished by the Enumerators, 3,951,885 persons returned themselves as Roman Catholics, this number being 198,979, or 4·8 per cent., under the number so returned in 1871; 635,670 were returned under the head of "Protestant Episcopalians" (as described in the note at foot of Table II., p. 12), being a decrease of 32,328, or 4·8 per cent., compared with the number tabulated under that head in 1871; 485,503 were returned as Presbyterians, being a decrease of 12,145, or 2·4 per cent., compared with 1871; the number of Methodists returned on the present occasion amounts to 47,669, being an increase of 4,238, or 9·7 per cent. on the number returned on the Census Form in 1871. *Religious Professions.*

Religious Professions. SUMMARY, showing by PROVINCES, the RELIGIOUS PROFESSIONS (so far as ascertained) of the People.

PROVINCES AND CENSUS YEARS.	RELIGIOUS PROFESSIONS.						
	Roman Catholics.	Protestant Episcopalian.	Presbyterians.	Methodists.	Jews.	All Other Professions.	Information Refused.
LEINSTER.	1861.	1,252,553	189,587	12,355	6,300	338	5,512
	1871.	1,145,104	164,585	12,555	6,530	218	10,437
	1881.	1,093,450	157,522	12,433	6,712	333	6,050
MUNSTER.	1861.	1,459,476	80,809	4,913	4,436	2	4,171
	1871.	1,301,644	74,213	4,661	4,758	9	5,730
	1881.	1,244,876	68,352	3,794	4,421	33	2,337
ULSTER.	1861.	956,613	391,315	303,833	32,030	53	20,391
	1871.	897,230	393,288	477,729	25,903	58	35,640
	1881.	834,784	377,636	496,107	34,494	77	28,477
CONNAUGHT.	1861.	855,023	40,205	3,688	2,643	1	783
	1871.	863,819	33,531	3,272	2,280	—	911
	1881.	779,769	31,760	2,969	2,042	10	608
TOTAL OF IRELAND.	1861.	4,555,293	693,337	533,291	15,309	393	30,859
	1871.	4,130,867	601,996	697,648	43,441	235	52,138
	1881.	3,924,886	639,670	899,303	47,669	453	37,512
INCREASE or DECREASE between 1871 and 1881.	Number.	198,979	32,328	12,145	4,228	188	14,636
	Rate per cent.	4.8	4.8	2.4	9.7	38.9	28.1

Of the total Population in 1881, 76.6 per cent. were returned as Roman Catholics; 12.3 per cent. as Protestant Episcopalian; 9.4 per cent. as Presbyterians; and 0.9 per cent. as Methodists.

The following Table shows, by Counties, the Religious Professions (so far as ascertained) of the inhabitants in 1881:—

COUNTY.	RELIGIOUS PROFESSIONS.						
	Roman Catholics.	Protestant Episcopalian.	Presbyterians.	Methodists.	Jews.	All Other Professions.	Information Refused.
PROVINCE OF LEINSTER.							
Carlow County.	41,160	5,833	79	128	—	78	1
Dublin "	320,438	89,594	8,116	3,550	337	4,569	225
Kildare "	66,181	8,616	751	311	1	209	3
Kilkenny "	90,099	4,083	197	131	—	52	15
King's County "	64,984	6,750	295	477	1	206	21
Louth County "	55,208	4,225	206	181	—	32	5
Longford Co. and Co. of the Town of Drogheda.	71,776	5,137	592	216	—	76	1
Meath County.	80,686	5,138	515	84	—	34	4
Queen's County "	63,363	7,743	289	385	—	190	37
Westmeath "	65,951	4,931	311	149	—	145	3
Wexford "	115,710	16,015	278	375	—	190	19
Wicklow "	68,271	13,722	310	735	4	390	7
PROVINCE OF MUNSTER.							
Cork County.	138,519	2,605	160	52	—	41	3
Cork " F.R.	293,660	24,778	1,862	1,392	25	836	46
Cork " W.R.	154,280	13,324	372	1,381	—	139	6
Kerry "	193,917	3,767	224	271	—	264	5
Limerick "	168,979	7,086	308	625	4	373	26
Tipperary " N.R.	78,574	5,013	175	367	2	63	2
Tipperary " S.R.	169,277	4,167	284	148	—	164	8
Waterford "	107,730	4,432	320	265	2	435	2

Table showing, by Counties, the Religious Professions (so far as ascertained) of the People in 1881—continued. Religious Professions.

COUNTIES	RELIGIOUS PROFESSIONS						
	Roman Catholics	Protestant Episcopalians	Presbyterians	Methodists	Jews	All Other Protestants	Information Refused
PROVINCE OF ULSTER.							
Antrim County, . . .	106,656	98,203	190,746	11,794	46	15,430	386
Armagh " . . .	75,437	83,455	26,794	4,848	1	2,280	38
Cavan " . . .	104,338	18,090	4,073	1,047	1	68	1
Donegal " . . .	157,224	24,026	21,206	1,892	—	284	11
Dowa " . . .	80,873	62,797	112,680	4,910	8	6,698	163
Fermanagh " . . .	47,228	30,632	1,572	4,808	—	74	19
Londonderry " . . .	73,095	31,513	56,743	943	3	2,350	57
Monaghan " . . .	75,819	15,541	12,769	842	4	103	2
Tyrone " . . .	109,544	43,979	38,845	3,601	14	1,190	40
PROVINCE OF CONNEMERT.							
Galway County, . . .	234,183	6,545	614	231	—	85	4
Lefrin " . . .	81,034	7,619	253	804	—	29	7
Mayo " . . .	236,247	5,507	903	260	10	125	18
Roscommon " . . .	127,177	4,063	300	127	—	66	10
Sligo " . . .	101,145	8,606	870	620	—	311	—

The number of Families returned in 1881 is 994,579, being a decrease since Families. 1871 of 73,019, or 6·8 per cent. The number of families in 1881 represents an average of 5·19 persons to a family: in 1871 the average was 5·07.

Table III., on p. 14, shows the number of Families, by Counties and Provinces, for the five decades 1841–1871.

Table IV., on p. 15, shows by Counties and Provinces the number of Inhabited Houses. Houses in Ireland in 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871, and 1881, and the Increase or Decrease therein between 1871 and 1881.

The following Summary shows, by Provinces, the total number of Dwelling-houses, distinguishing "Inhabited," "Uninhabited," and "Building":—

SUMMARY, showing by Provinces, the total Number of Houses in 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871, and 1881, and the difference in number between 1871 and 1881.

PROVINCES	Description of House.	NUMBER OF HOUSES.					Differences between 1881 and 1871.		
							Increase.	Decrease.	Note per Cent.
		1841.	1851.	1861.	1871.	1881.	Number.	Number.	
LEINSTER, {	Inhabited, .	306,419	308,012	326,014	327,462	216,840	—	10,822	46
	Uninhabited* .	12,355	17,590	10,530	7,050	12,101	5,501	—	72·4
	Building .	1,272	593	503	670	723	144	—	24·9
MUNSTER, {	Inhabited, .	364,637	267,073	243,207	334,757	218,300	—	16,367	7·0
	Uninhabited* .	12,005	19,417	9,001	7,183	9,163	1,982	—	27·6
	Building .	1,023	473	723	474	359	—	145	30·6
ULSTER, {	Inhabited, .	414,651	351,885	351,658	345,464	332,711	—	12,753	3·7
	Uninhabited* .	21,550	20,679	10,418	13,599	21,353	7,753	—	57·0
	Building .	626	820	802	813	823	9	—	1·1
CONNEMERT, {	Inhabited, .	243,192	160,253	163,030	123,607	145,020	—	8,677	5·6
	Uninhabited* .	6,293	7,677	4,061	3,148	3,140	—	8	·3
	Building .	303	282	330	304	103	—	209	66·4
IRELAND, {	Inhabited, .	1,328,839	1,046,228	908,105	961,380	912,781	—	48,679	5·1
	Uninhabited* .	52,208	65,953	40,997	31,530	46,738	15,228	—	48·3
	Building .	3,513	1,966	2,920	2,170	1,076	—	154	8·9

* Including newly-constructed houses not yet occupied.

Houses.

From the foregoing Summary it will be seen that in Ireland a decrease of 48,619, or 5.1 per cent., took place in the Inhabited Houses between 1871 and 1881; the decrease in the Province of Leinster being 4.8 per cent.; in Munster, 7.0 per cent.; in Ulster, 3.7 per cent.; and in Connaught, 5.6 per cent.

The number of Uninhabited Houses* increased between 1871 and 1881 by 15,228, or 48.3 per cent.—the increase in the Province of Leinster being equal to 72.4 per cent.; in Munster, to 27.6 per cent.; and in Ulster, to 57.0 per cent.; there was a decrease of 8 in the number of uninhabited houses in Connaught. There were 1,976 Houses returned as "Building," being a decrease of 194 compared with the number returned in 1871.

PARLIAMENTARY BOROUGHS.

Parliamentary Boroughs.

Table V. on p. 16, shows the Parliamentary Boroughs of Ireland, grouped according to Provinces, with the number of Inhabited Houses and the Population in 1861, 1871, and 1881, and the Increase or Decrease in the Population of each between 1871 and 1881.

From this Table it will be seen that the Parliamentary Boroughs situated in the Province of Leinster† increased in their total Population by 0.9 per cent. between 1871 and 1881, and those in Ulster by 15.2 per cent.; whereas those situated in Munster decreased by 3.0 per cent.; and Galway (the only enfranchised Parliamentary Borough, at present, in Connaught)‡ decreased by 4.7 per cent. Taking the aggregate, the Parliamentary Boroughs in Ireland increased in Population during the decade by 35,093 persons or 4.1 per cent.

DUBLIN CITY AND ITS SUBURBAN TOWNSHIPS.

Dublin City and Suburban Townships.

On p. 17, a Table (VI.) is given showing the number of Inhabited Houses and the Population in 1871 and 1881 in Dublin City and its Suburban Townships, also the Increase in the Population therein between 1871 and 1881.

From this Table it appears that the Population of the City of Dublin increased during the decade by 1.3 per cent.; the increases in the Suburban Townships ranged as follows:—Clontarf, 22.3 per cent.; Rathmines and Rathgar, 17.9; Kingstown, 11.3; Blackrock, 11.0; Pembroke, 10.3; and New Kilmainham, 8.7. The total Population of the City and its Suburban Townships increased between 1871 and 1881 by 4.0 per cent. The Township of Drumcondra, Clonliffe, and Glasnevin, having, in 1881, a Population of 4,865, has been formed since 1871.

TOWNS HAVING, IN 1871, A POPULATION EXCEEDING 10,000.

Provincial Towns.

Table VII. on p. 17, gives a list of fifteen Towns (exclusive of Dublin and its Suburban Townships) which had in 1871 a Population exceeding 10,000. The largest of these Towns is Belfast, having in 1871 a Population of 174,412, which in 1881 had increased to 207,071, an increment of 19.1 per cent.; the smallest of the Towns in this Table, according to the Population of 1871, is Cleamall which then had a Population of 10,112; in 1881 its Inhabitants number 10,519; Queenstown, which, in 1871 had 10,334 Inhabitants, has now, according to the Enumerators' Summaries but 9,738—the falling off is probably to be accounted for by a smaller number of Ships being in the Harbour in 1881 than in 1871.

TOWN POPULATIONS.

Town Populations.

The following Statement shows the Towns having in 1871 a Population of 10,000 or upwards; the Parliamentary Boroughs; and the Suburban Townships of Dublin,‡ arranged according to their Per-centage of Increase or Decrease of Population between 1871 and 1881.

From this Table it will be observed that the largest Per-centage (22.3) of Increase of Population between 1871 and 1881 was in the Township of Clontarf; and the next 19.1, in Belfast; the Township of Newry increased 10.6 per cent., whereas the Parliamentary Borough of Newry only increased by 6.3 per cent.; on the other hand the Township of Dundalk only increased 5.5 per cent., whereas the Parliamentary Borough increased 8.0 per cent.

The greatest Per-centage of Decrease would appear to have taken place in the Parliamentary Borough of Kinsale, but this decrease (as explained in note at foot of Table V.) is attributable to the fact of a fishing fleet being in Kinsale Harbour on the Census night of 1871, and those on board having been included in the population of Kinsale; the Borough of Carlow presents the next highest Per-centage (10.3) of decrease.

* See note, page 7.

† See note (*) on page 16.

‡ Except Drumcondra, Clonliffe, and Glasnevin which had not been formed into a township in 1871.

CITIES and TOWNS arranged in the Order of Per-centage of Increase or Decrease of Population between 1871 and 1881. Towns.
Populations.

Those marked (*) are Parliamentary Boroughs.

Cities and Towns, arranged in Order of Per-centage of Increase of Population.					Cities and Towns, arranged in Order of Per-centage of Decrease of Population.				
Cities and Towns.	Population.		Increase.		Cities and Towns.	Population.		Decrease.	
	1871.	1881.	Total.	Per-centage.		1871.	1881.	Total.	Per-centage.
Clermont,*	3,442	4,309	767	22.3	Kinsale,*	7,050	5,560	1,490	21.1
Belfast,*	174,412	207,471	33,059	19.1	Cashew,*	7,842	7,034	808	10.3
Bathmines,	20,562	24,345	3,083	17.9	Draghda,*	14,165	14,692	1,403	9.3
Yabrum,*	9,326	10,834	1,508	16.2	Draghda,	13,510	13,516	994	7.4
Londonderry,*	25,242	28,247	3,006	14.7	Galway,	15,597	14,631	976	6.3
Kingsdown,	16,578	18,230	1,652	11.3	Downpatrick,*	4,155	3,909	253	6.1
Blackrock,	5,089	5,975	886	11.0	Quonstown,	10,234	9,738	596	5.8
Newry,*	15,394	14,782	1,418	10.6	Portlannington,*	2,600	2,426	174	5.2
Fenchroke,	20,082	23,184	2,202	10.5	Kilkenny,*	15,748	14,964	784	5.0
New Kilmaham,	4,956	5,385	429	8.7	Galway,*	10,843	10,906	937	4.7
Dundalk,*	11,377	12,294	917	8.0	Dungannon,*	7,719	7,377	342	4.4
Carrickfergus,*	9,307	10,009	612	6.5	Lougha,	10,432	10,184	448	4.2
Malver,*	4,165	4,437	272	6.5	Kilkenny,	12,710	12,182	528	4.2
Nawry,*	14,158	15,088	929	6.5	Waterford,	23,349	22,401	948	4.1
Dundalk,	11,327	11,946	619	5.5	Limerick,*	49,980	48,246	1,734	3.5
Athlone,*	5,565	6,301	336	5.1	Waterford,*	20,979	20,892	1,027	3.4
Dungannon,*	3,888	4,081	193	5.0	Ennis,*	6,403	6,302	201	3.1
Clovel,*	10,112	10,519	407	4.0	Cork,*	100,518	97,520	2,992	3.0
Dublin,*	267,717	273,064	5,347	2.0	New Ross,*	6,772	6,636	146	2.2
Trillick,*	5,506	5,694	188	1.7	Limerick,	38,363	38,600	753	1.9
Coleraine,*	3,888	4,084	96	1.5	Armagh,*	8,946	8,797	149	1.7
Dublin,	246,336	249,488	3,152	1.3	Rendon,*	6,131	6,045	86	1.4
Sligo,	10,670	10,764	94	0.9	Youghal,*	6,081	6,040	41	0.7
Bonickill,*	5,836	5,842	6	0.1	Cork,	78,042	78,361	381	0.4
					Wexford,*	19,077	19,003	23	0.2

Adding the Population of Dublin City and its Suburban Townships to the Population of the Provincial Towns, which had, in 1871, 10,000 inhabitants or upwards, the number would be 782,066 in 1871 and 829,001 in 1881, being an increase of 46,935, or 6.0 per cent. : in 1871 the number of Persons residing outside the area comprised in the above was 4,630,311, and in 1881 the number was 4,330,838, showing a decrease of 299,473, or 6.5 per cent.

DUBLIN METROPOLITAN POLICE DISTRICT.

As shown by Table VIII., on p. 17, the Population within the Dublin Metropolitan Police District increased between 1871 and 1881 by 13,088, or 3.9 per cent. Dublin
Metropolitan
Police
District.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND EMIGRATION.

The number of Births registered in Ireland during the decade commencing on 1st April, 1871, and ending 31st March, 1881, was 1,392,113; and of Deaths 949,110; the natural increase of the population would thus appear to have been 423,003; 622,686 persons, however, having emigrated during the same period, the net result shown by these statistics is a decrease of 109,683, which is 52,855 less than the difference between the population enumerated in 1881 and the number returned in 1871; a disparity to be accounted for mainly by defective registration of deaths in the earlier years, and, to some extent, by incomplete returns of emigrants. Births,
Deaths, and
Emigration.

In submitting the foregoing statement to your Excellency, we beg especially to point out that the numbers are not extracted from the original documents under our direct supervision, but are totals compiled from Summaries prepared by the enumerators, thus many small errors may have crept in owing to inaccurate descriptions in the original forms. These errors will be detected and inquired into when the original papers are examined. When the details are finally arranged some slight differences may be found between the totals when compared with those contained in the present abstract. This is especially likely to be true in the case of the smaller religious denominations where many queries must be issued and replied to before it is finally ascertained that each individual has described himself with sufficient accuracy to enable us to tabulate him under the denomination with which he considers himself connected.

We are glad to be able to state that the detailed part of the work is being rapidly proceeded with, and we trust that at an early date we shall be able to submit to your Excellency the first of the County Tables, which will be followed by others with as little delay as possible.

We have the honour to be

Your Excellency's obedient Servants,

THOMAS W. GRIMSHAW,	} Commissioners.
<i>Registrar-General,</i>	
GEORGE W. ABRAHAM,	
ROBERT E. MATHESON,	

CENSUS OFFICE, CHARLEMONT HOUSE,
RUTLAND-SQUARE, DUBLIN,
15th June, 1881.

TABLE I.—Showing the Number of INHABITANTS (including the Army and Navy) in each County and Province in 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871 and 1881; with the Increase or Decrease between 1871 and 1881.

PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.	NUMBER OF INHABITANTS.							INCREASE OR DECREASE IN PERSONS BETWEEN 1871 AND 1881.		
	1841.	1851.	1861.	1871.	1881.			Number.		Per cent.
					Total.	Males.	Females.	Increase.	Decrease.	
Province of LEINSTER.										
DUBLIN County, . . .	85,617	88,808	87,187	81,530	40,594	19,038	21,456	-	5,142	11.4
DUBLIN " " . . .	898,580	810,319	450,232	465,268	418,152	189,400	200,752	12,890	-	3.1
KILDARE " " . . .	115,190	90,496	90,616	83,015	90,188	48,079	35,245	-	5,512	5.0
LINCOLN " " . . .	202,940	189,614	184,515	180,773	95,064	48,602	50,262	-	10,515	11.4
KENY " " . . .	147,351	112,796	90,043	70,000	72,668	36,562	36,106	-	3,332	4.6
LONDONDERRY " " . . .	118,587	85,268	71,094	61,508	63,790	30,077	33,115	-	3,211	5.4
SOUTH CO. DUBLIN, and Co. of the Town of Drogheda.	128,947	106,018	90,793	81,021	95,225	50,581	39,967	-	5,760	6.9
MEATH County, . . .	182,844	140,868	119,823	95,026	84,281	43,609	40,676	-	9,237	9.7
QUENY " " . . .	165,668	113,129	90,000	79,771	79,838	40,000	36,012	-	7,178	8.9
WICKLOUGH " " . . .	144,238	111,207	90,073	76,422	71,213	36,566	35,127	-	6,918	8.9
WICKLOUGH " " . . .	202,180	180,289	148,254	122,000	123,887	63,721	62,166	-	9,078	6.4
WICKLOUGH " " . . .	126,163	88,808	88,808	78,087	78,087	38,303	37,816	-	5,018	6.4
Total of Leinster, . . .	1,282,169	1,083,280	1,037,633	1,336,481	1,219,590	604,506	630,084	-	60,661	4.9
Province of MUNSTER.										
CLARE County, . . .	280,373	219,528	166,565	147,881	141,210	70,602	70,547	-	6,054	4.5
CORK " " S.E., . . .	689,608	602,312	465,517	342,844	322,226	159,000	161,964	-	21,215	6.6
CORK " " W.E., . . .	115,190	115,190	115,190	115,190	115,190	57,595	57,595	-	0,000	0.0
KERRY County, . . .	294,235	259,215	204,000	166,285	204,448	102,224	99,723	1,850	-	0.9
LIMERICK " " . . .	221,000	202,200	177,217	150,000	177,200	88,600	90,667	-	14,700	7.9
THURDAY " " N.E., . . .	428,532	388,532	319,220	262,217	262,217	131,108	124,630	-	8,071	10.1
WATERFORD " " S.E., . . .	160,770	160,770	134,222	122,220	112,222	56,111	56,111	-	8,220	6.7
Total of Munster, . . .	2,466,469	2,063,906	1,704,528	1,863,483	1,829,910	914,955	909,726	-	42,775	2.9
Province of ULSTER.										
ANTRIM County, . . .	202,413	232,212	268,877	404,013	423,271	197,222	226,049	19,777	-	8.7
ARMAGH " " . . .	200,704	180,165	150,000	110,000	100,000	50,000	50,000	-	16,420	9.2
CARLIS " " . . .	212,220	212,220	180,000	150,000	120,000	60,000	60,000	-	17,220	8.6
DOWN " " . . .	200,700	200,700	200,700	200,700	200,700	100,350	100,350	-	12,400	6.2
DOUG " " . . .	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	120,000	120,000	-	20,000	8.3
FERRIS " " . . .	110,000	110,000	110,000	110,000	110,000	55,000	55,000	-	8,100	7.4
LONDONDERRY " " . . .	222,441	222,441	180,000	150,000	150,000	75,000	75,000	-	1,900	1.3
MURRAY " " . . .	220,220	220,220	180,000	150,000	150,000	75,000	75,000	-	22,220	10.4
TYRONE " " . . .	212,011	212,011	200,000	210,000	190,000	95,000	100,000	-	19,011	8.9
Total of Ulster, . . .	2,068,863	2,013,879	1,814,796	1,863,213	1,780,549	890,274	907,824	-	68,460	3.8
Province of CONNEMARA.										
GALWAY County, . . .	440,580	322,631	277,428	267,799	261,032	120,516	121,371	-	8,654	3.2
LONDONDERRY " " . . .	111,000	111,000	111,000	111,000	111,000	55,500	55,500	-	5,500	4.9
SLIGO " " . . .	280,280	270,280	260,280	240,280	240,280	120,140	120,140	-	1,140	0.5
TYRONE " " . . .	212,011	212,011	212,011	212,011	212,011	106,005	106,006	-	1,011	0.5
SLIGO " " . . .	140,000	140,000	140,000	140,000	140,000	70,000	70,000	-	4,000	2.9
Total of Connemara, . . .	1,420,780	1,262,479	1,110,428	1,060,720	1,012,122	506,076	493,016	-	29,516	2.9
Total of IRELAND, . . .	3,282,587	2,674,288	2,396,857	3,260,174	3,100,809	1,505,581	1,535,028	-	232,447	4.7

* Including 460 women and others at sea.

TABLE II.—Showing, by Sexes, the RELIGIOUS PROFESSIONS

PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.	Total Number of Inhabitants in 1881.	ROMAN CATHOLICS.		PROTESTANT DISSENTERS.				PRESBYTERIANS.			
		Males.	Females.	Remaining themselves as "Church of Ireland" or "Irish Church."		Remaining themselves as "Presbyterian" or "Methodist." See Note on p. 10.		Males.	Females.		
				Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.				
Province of LEINSTER.											
DUBLIN County,	44,808	20,427	26,132	2,522	2,558	96	87	32	40		
DUBLIN " " " " " "	438,122	199,593	149,853	31,314	20,442	6,468	3,941	4,097	3,713		
KILDARE " " " " " "	74,389	34,832	31,322	2,393	2,423	2,973	324	434	339		
KILKUBB " " " " " "	29,644	14,379	14,739	2,118	2,250	288	131	59	107		
KILKUBB " " " " " "	79,668	33,659	31,025	3,027	3,216	389	221	149	138		
LOWDOWN " " " " " "	60,730	27,398	27,482	2,307	2,334	360	77	111	205		
LOWDOWN (County and County of) the Town of Drogheda, . . .	79,823	34,668	30,284	2,333	2,308	438	210	408	438		
MEATH County,	85,331	40,517	39,769	3,396	3,053	128	113	153	163		
QUINN " " " " " "	12,534	5,531	5,532	2,338	2,603	71	301	133	147		
WICKLOUGH " " " " " "	71,453	33,177	31,774	2,594	2,517	496	107	163	163		
WICKLOUGH " " " " " "	123,487	55,450	57,289	4,291	4,061	190	143	143	135		
WICKLOUGH " " " " " "	53,673	23,343	23,228	6,103	6,073	224	423	144	132		
Total of LEINSTER,	1,873,190	839,216	836,243	64,404	74,543	12,130	6,423	6,822	6,911		
Province of MUNSTER.											
CORK County,	161,210	69,187	69,162	1,079	1,317	271	145	53	74		
CORK " " " " " " " " " " " "	822,289	142,634	151,840	2,189	10,580	4,534	1,903	1,589	277		
CORK " " " " " " " " " " " "	170,211	77,049	77,861	6,074	6,350	871	319	250	123		
KERRY " " " " " " " " " " " "	230,446	97,063	93,854	2,167	2,259	1,618	286	130	85		
LIMERICK " " " " " " " " " " " "	177,333	81,714	85,002	3,738	3,813	394	159	215	169		
TIFFIN " " " " " " " " " " " "	84,156	40,803	39,774	2,440	2,478	141	64	97	78		
TIFFIN " " " " " " " " " " " "	114,566	55,674	55,005	1,653	1,918	384	369	180	124		
WATERFORD " " " " " " " " " " " "	118,235	62,303	63,227	1,771	2,140	349	172	177	152		
Total of MUNSTER,	1,835,938	815,597	821,062	26,534	29,214	7,909	2,793	2,315	1,561		
Province of ULSTER.											
ARMAGH County,	423,171	18,908	25,703	41,804	45,187	4,145	40,57	50,248	100,288		
ARMAGH " " " " " " " " " " " "	367,703	15,428	16,441	24,640	26,718	1,110	327	13,947	11,317		
CARRICK " " " " " " " " " " " "	123,809	55,897	55,235	3,330	3,583	104	186	3,798	3,777		
DOWN " " " " " " " " " " " "	292,443	75,435	80,581	11,348	11,508	628	422	16,705	16,546		
DOWN " " " " " " " " " " " "	262,927	92,619	93,254	26,719	26,436	2,645	8,007	63,009	64,080		
FERMANAGH " " " " " " " " " " " "	84,633	22,414	22,817	14,437	18,162	419	380	334	313		
FERMANAGH " " " " " " " " " " " "	164,714	34,883	34,884	12,273	14,740	1,741	1,700	27,600	27,083		
NEWCASTLE " " " " " " " " " " " "	165,390	36,537	36,712	4,260	6,040	804	326	6,500	6,478		
TIMBER " " " " " " " " " " " "	127,233	53,114	56,896	29,345	31,273	1,847	1,274	16,508	16,287		
Total of ULSTER,	1,725,242	516,629	525,165	108,504	144,585	12,911	12,500	124,283	124,274		
Province of CONNAUGHT.											
GALWAY County,	211,652	116,223	117,489	5,738	5,243	729	395	823	231		
LEITRIM " " " " " " " " " " " "	89,745	46,414	49,516	3,679	3,646	125	117	144	138		
MAEO " " " " " " " " " " " "	286,631	114,534	121,101	2,391	2,307	679	328	471	432		
ROSCOMMON " " " " " " " " " " " "	131,705	63,536	63,439	2,174	1,716	358	83	109	101		
SLIGO " " " " " " " " " " " "	110,058	50,893	51,243	3,784	3,773	234	203	493	414		
Total of CONNAUGHT,	817,191	385,004	394,795	14,702	14,343	1,796	975	1,830	1,696		
Gross Total of IRELAND,	5,165,829	1,800,045	1,865,825	276,785	322,883	34,285	22,791	224,955	220,523		

NOTE.—The designation "Protestant Dissenters" is defined by "The Ministerial Census and Marriage Law Registration Act, 1862," the members of "the Church of England, the Episcopal

(as far as ascertained) in each County and Province in 1881.

Metropolis.		Dublin.		Belfast.		Society of Friends in Ireland.		Jews.		Other Populations.		Information received.		PROVINCE AND COUNTY.
Males.	Females.	Males.	Fem.	Males.	Fem.	Males.	Fem.	Males.	Fem.	Males.	Fem.	Males.	Fem.	
Province of LEINSTER.														
41	47	-	-	-	1	10	30	-	-	25	20	1	-	CARROW County.
1,703	1,782	89	75	134	136	870	451	172	155	1,581	1,564	194	171	DUBLIN "
223	118	2	-	82	33	9	10	1	-	53	55	5	-	KILDARE "
65	63	3	-	5	3	5	4	-	-	13	23	5	7	KILMUCKITT "
254	257	-	1	6	20	84	41	1	-	44	88	12	0	KILPATRICK "
89	25	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	9	21	3	2	LONGFORD "
128	121	16	10	8	6	-	-	-	-	50	17	1	-	LOUTH County and County of the Town of Drogheda.
20	34	4	5	1	-	-	6	-	-	18	11	4	-	MELBURN County.
174	321	1	3	5	1	23	27	-	-	52	59	19	18	QUEEN'S County.
28	29	6	-	11	50	23	30	-	-	54	31	3	-	WEXFORD "
187	188	8	1	8	1	55	67	-	-	44	37	16	3	WICK "
323	433	8	8	1	6	58	57	-	4	78	156	6	1	WINDSOR "
3,233	3,775	129	100	306	257	660	725	174	160	1,254	1,183	180	161	Total of LEINSTER.
Province of MUNSTER.														
20	29	1	1	-	-	5	4	-	-	20	15	1	2	CLACK County.
738	657	84	81	37	32	88	118	19	6	914	822	28	20	CORKE " E.R.
729	402	5	2	4	1	3	-	-	-	79	55	3	0	" " W.L.
175	99	8	8	7	2	-	-	-	-	189	104	4	1	KERRY "
273	346	39	49	50	9	52	35	3	1	188	72	22	4	LONGFORD "
167	200	1	2	-	-	2	2	2	-	22	54	1	1	LOUGHGOWAN " E.R.
75	75	8	-	2	0	40	48	-	-	45	45	3	3	" " S.R.
146	150	18	6	45	25	110	203	2	-	81	60	2	-	WATERFORD "
2,627	2,694	122	207	116	73	267	380	26	7	741	685	63	34	Total of MUNSTER.
Province of ULSTER.														
5,407	4,387	1,629	1,921	838	864	302	308	26	20	3,733	3,515	187	166	ANTRIM County.
3,216	2,629	123	170	111	97	845	618	1	-	465	502	31	7	ARMAGH "
500	441	2	2	3	2	39	16	1	-	23	17	1	-	CARLISLE "
581	1,011	58	85	80	80	1	1	-	-	59	22	5	0	DOWN " "
1,279	9,540	288	269	216	241	103	107	6	2	3,073	3,783	64	77	DOWN " "
2,023	2,438	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	34	43	18	2	FERRISBURGH " "
448	461	192	221	314	311	6	4	3	1	689	424	33	23	GLASSBOROUGH " "
262	280	16	16	6	6	-	1	2	2	15	20	2	-	MOUNTAIN " "
1,706	1,864	149	174	171	165	109	130	5	6	123	149	22	19	TERRELL " "
16,180	16,356	2,468	2,773	1,664	2,028	874	903	60	31	4,294	4,637	260	297	Total of ULSTER.
Province of CONNAUGHT.														
131	150	7	8	2	4	-	-	-	-	44	95	4	-	GALWAY County.
621	435	1	1	2	5	-	-	-	-	9	11	2	6	LERRIG " "
131	129	6	4	8	8	-	-	4	6	80	62	9	9	MAEO " "
64	82	1	4	3	1	1	1	-	-	18	20	9	1	ROCKHAMPTON " "
930	331	00	83	13	4	5	8	-	-	64	51	-	-	SLIGO " "
970	1,073	75	100	24	12	4	4	4	6	138	164	24	15	Total of CONNAUGHT.
22,792	16,577	2,855	3,179	3,307	1,667	1,714	1,802	900	903	11,220	11,629	637	517	Gross Total of IRELAND.

(Inferred) Amendment Act, 1876,* 31 & 36 Vic., cap. 116, sec. 4, to include, besides the members of the late Church of Scotland, and any other Protestant Episcopal Church.*

TABLE IV.—Showing the Number of INHABITED HOUSES in each County and Province in 1841, 1851, 1861, and 1871, the Total Number of Houses in 1881, and the Increase or Decrease in the Number of Inhabited Houses between 1871 and 1881.

PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.	NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES.				TOTAL NUMBER OF HOUSES.			DECREASE IN NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES BETWEEN 1871 AND 1881.		
	1841.	1851.	1861.	1871.	1881.			Number.		Per cent.
					Inhabited.	Un- inhabited.	Building.	Increase.	Decrease.	
Province of LEINSTER.										
Carlow County, . . .	16,008	11,176	10,521	9,701	8,821	430	2	—	880	9.1
Dublin " " " "	62,311	65,927	46,020	50,754	52,061	2,384	476	1,307	—	4.4
Kildare " " " "	18,852	18,022	14,246	11,060	13,944	628	19	—	220	1.6
Kilkenny " " " "	22,247	26,684	22,221	20,577	18,527	844	25	—	2,040	9.9
King's " " " "	24,224	18,722	16,565	14,796	13,602	815	19	—	980	6.6
Longford " " " "	13,193	15,022	13,020	12,000	11,146	418	14	—	860	7.1
Louth County, and County of the Town of Drogheda, . . .	22,855	19,471	17,694	16,885	15,816	407	20	—	1,069	6.3
Meath County, . . .	20,785	24,044	20,729	18,814	17,122	681	15	—	1,691	8.9
Queen's " " " "	28,438	18,568	14,728	15,519	14,707	667	5	—	1,112	8.3
Wicklow " " " "	24,002	18,728	16,589	18,022	18,876	206	90	—	1,373	8.1
Wexford " " " "	22,807	25,024	24,021	24,382	23,522	1,000	60	—	1,230	5.0
Wicklow " " " "	25,510	18,622	14,428	14,111	18,419	916	34	—	602	5.7
Total, . . .	306,493	285,017	230,704	227,622	216,810	12,101	223	—	16,822	6.8
Province of MUNSTER.										
Clare County, . . .	44,970	31,412	28,108	26,009	24,467	800	23	—	1,602	6.1
Cork " " " " R.R.	180,368	160,022	125,022	144,544	151,222	2,222	123	—	5,000	7.0
Cork " " " " W.R.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kerry " " " "	60,428	35,722	32,178	32,240	31,222	821	21	—	1,011	3.1
Limerick " " " "	41,227	36,222	32,077	31,622	30,222	980	22	—	2,007	8.4
Tipperary " " " " R.R.	55,224	22,221	16,094	17,222	15,722	684	25	—	1,234	10.6
Tipperary " " " " W.R.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wexford " " " "	20,222	22,422	21,422	21,222	20,222	1,222	49	—	1,722	8.1
Total, . . .	384,627	267,073	243,527	234,737	218,890	3,163	229	—	16,207	7.0
Province of ULSTER.										
Armagh County, . . .	69,222	58,222	62,222	71,222	72,222	6,222	222	6,222	—	2.8
Armagh " " " "	41,227	50,070	33,224	34,220	31,122	1,122	22	—	3,222	5.0
Cavan " " " "	40,224	20,070	28,222	24,224	24,270	910	22	—	2,000	7.9
Down " " " "	52,222	44,224	43,170	40,274	38,222	1,000	89	—	2,000	5.2
Down " " " "	60,022	50,222	48,011	54,222	55,222	4,511	204	—	2,722	5.1
Fermanagh " " " "	20,720	20,221	19,276	17,222	16,222	800	14	—	1,521	8.6
Londonderry " " " "	25,227	22,222	20,222	22,222	21,222	1,742	61	—	1,222	4.7
Monaghan " " " "	30,070	20,722	24,224	24,222	24,222	900	7	—	2,142	8.9
Tyrone " " " "	54,222	40,011	44,277	41,222	38,222	2,011	21	—	3,171	7.6
Total, . . .	436,221	341,222	303,222	343,222	322,221	31,222	222	—	17,722	5.7
Province of CONNUGHT.										
Galway County, . . .	28,222	22,222	48,222	42,222	49,222	870	23	—	2,242	5.2
Leitrim " " " "	25,212	18,222	14,222	15,222	15,222	1,000	7	—	1,000	6.1
Mayo " " " "	40,222	40,222	40,222	42,222	42,222	800	21	—	1,000	2.6
Sligo " " " "	44,227	22,222	22,222	22,222	22,222	600	12	—	2,176	8.4
Sligo " " " "	21,442	22,142	22,224	22,222	22,222	440	19	—	1,100	5.2
Total, . . .	249,222	160,222	162,222	152,222	142,222	3,140	102	—	8,677	6.0
Total of IRELAND, . . .	1,238,222	1,016,222	893,222	891,222	892,221	46,722	1,076	—	48,222	5.1

TABLE V.—Showing the Population and Number of Inhabited Houses in the PARLIAMENTARY BOROUGHES in 1881, 1871, and 1861, with the Increase or Decrease in Population between 1871 and 1881.

PARLIAMENTARY BOROUGHES.	NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES.			POPULATION.			INCREASE OR DECREASE IN PERSONS BETWEEN 1871 AND 1881.		
	1861.	1871.	1881.	1861.	1871.	1881.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	Rate per cent.
LEINSTER.									
Athlone,*	1,008	1,070	1,133	6,237	6,663	6,901	338	—	5·1
Carlow,	1,463	1,367	1,215	8,973	7,842	7,036	—	808	10·3
Douglas,	3,449	3,452	3,022	17,436	16,165	14,662	—	1,503	9·3
Dublin,	24,193	26,850	27,587	263,751	267,717	273,054	5,347	—	2·0
Dundalk,	1,849	2,061	2,264	10,438	11,377	12,594	917	—	8·0
Kiloway,	2,076	2,854	2,565	17,713	15,748	14,964	—	784	5·0
New Ross,	1,132	1,130	1,082	7,132	6,773	6,626	—	146	2·3
Portlinton,	504	494	475	2,874	2,660	2,426	—	134	5·2
Wexford,	1,943	2,127	2,050	11,673	12,077	12,035	—	22	0·2
Total,	38,517	41,400	41,405	346,307	348,823	350,038	3,205	—	0·9
MUNSTER.									
Brandon,	695	938	940	6,419	6,151	6,046	—	86	1·4
Cloanel,	1,304	1,383	1,323	11,342	10,113	10,519	407	—	4·0
Cork,	13,136	13,881	13,445	105,525	106,518	97,828	—	2,992	3·0
Dungarvan,	1,377	1,435	1,351	8,645	7,719	7,377	—	342	4·4
Kinsale,	1,128	1,100	1,100	7,175	6,803	6,393	—	201	3·1
Kinsale,	782	716	736	4,850	7,050*	5,560	—	1,490*	21·4*
Limerick,	7,381	7,157	6,857	56,603	49,980	48,546	—	1,734	3·5
Malton,	754	778	748	4,841	4,165	4,437	273	—	6·7
Trillick,	1,333	1,385	1,354	10,355	9,506	9,684	168	—	1·7
Waterford,	4,179	4,258	4,423	28,790	29,979	28,923	—	1,057	3·4
Youghal,	1,011	1,070	950	6,514	6,061	6,040	—	41	0·7
Total,	33,340	34,377	33,345	248,000	237,744	230,686	—	7,076	3·0
ULSTER.									
Armagh,	1,450	1,482	1,453	9,320	8,946	8,797	—	140	1·7
Belfast,	12,036	27,961	36,339	78,344	174,413	207,671	33,259	—	19·1
Orrickfergan,	1,605	1,783	1,822	9,417	9,397	10,099	612	—	6·5
Coleraine,	1,146	1,269	1,269	6,236	6,263	6,684	98	—	1·6
Dunquairick,	798	820	743	4,317	4,165	3,902	—	253	6·1
Dungannon,	683	703	730	3,094	3,866	4,081	195	—	6·0
Enniskillen,	756	913	785	5,820	6,536	6,343	6	—	0·1
Lisburn,	1,348	1,600	1,769	8,585	9,396	10,834	1,506	—	16·2
Loughborough, . . .	2,888	3,627	4,298	20,875	25,248	28,247	3,006	—	14·7
Newry,	2,165	2,474	2,508	13,108	14,158	15,085	927	—	6·5
Total,	24,873	43,962	51,735	169,046	261,946	301,852	35,906	—	15·2
CONNAUGHT.									
Galway,	3,760	3,365	3,061	25,161	19,843	18,906	—	937	4·7
IRELAND,	100,408	151,813	159,486	779,444	896,566	991,464	35,096	—	4·1

* The Parliamentary Borough of Athlone is situated partly in Leinster and partly in Connaught, but in the above Table the total is given in Leinster.
† A. being first lay in Kinale Station on the night of the Census of 1871. There were 3,594 persons on board who were included in the population of Kinale.

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TABLE VI.—Showing the Number of Inhabited Houses, and the Population of Dublin City and its Suburban Townships in 1871 and 1881, with the Increase or Decrease in Population between 1871 and 1881.

DUBLIN AND SUBURBS.	INHABITED HOUSES.		POPULATION.		INCREASE OR DECREASE IN POPULATION BETWEEN 1871 AND 1881.		
	1871.	1881.	1871.	1881.	Increase.	Decrease.	Rate per Cent.
Dublin City,*	21,596	24,261	246,336	249,450	3,160	—	1·3
SUBURBAN TOWNSHIPS.							
Clontarf,	624	734	3,442	4,209	767	—	22·3
Drumcondra, Clonsilla, and Glanerin,	—†	749	—	4,863	—†	—†	—†
New Kilmainham,	643	663	4,566	5,389	823	—	18·2
Rathfarnham and Rathgar,	3,108	4,091	26,362	24,215	3,643	—	17·0
Pembroke,	2,868	2,967	20,882	23,184	2,292	—	10·5
Blackrock,	1,447	1,637	8,080	8,975	895	—	11·0
Kilginstown,	2,784	3,187	16,378	18,230	1,852	—	11·3
Total,	35,593	38,688	320,735	333,379	12,979	—	4·0

* The population of the City of Dublin in 1841 was 215,341; in 1851, 205,104; in 1861, 201,168.

† The Township of Drumcondra, Clonsilla, and Glanerin, was formed into a township since 1871.

TABLE VII.—Showing the Number of Inhabited Houses and Population of Provincial Towns having, in 1871, a Population exceeding 10,000, with the Increase or Decrease in Population between 1871 and 1881.

TOWNS.	INHABITED HOUSES.		POPULATION.		INCREASE OR DECREASE IN POPULATION BETWEEN 1871 AND 1881.		
	1871.	1881.	1871.	1881.	Increase.	Decrease.	Rate per Cent.
Belfast,	27,491	30,339	174,415	207,671	33,259	—	19·1
Cork,	10,309	10,828	78,542	79,361	—	281	0·1
Limerick,	5,518	5,408	39,363	38,400	—	763	1·9
Londonderry,	3,687	4,268	25,242	28,347	3,105	—	14·7
Waterford,	3,587	3,662	23,348	23,401	—	948	4·1
Galway,	2,656	2,990	15,307	14,421	—	976	6·3
Drogheda,	2,658	2,612	13,610	12,816	—	794	7·4
Newry,	2,315	2,452	13,364	14,782	1,418	—	10·6
Kilkenny,	2,290	2,115	12,710	12,182	—	528	4·2
Wexford,	2,127	2,050	12,077	12,065	—	22	0·2
Dundalk,	2,045	2,167	11,327	11,946	619	—	5·3
Sligo,	1,820	1,800	10,670	10,764	94	—	0·9
Lurgan,	1,831	1,841	10,639	10,184	—	448	4·2
Queenstown,	999	978	10,334	9,728	—	606	5·8
Cannell,	1,311	1,222	10,112	10,519	407	—	4·0
Total,	71,125	80,182	461,331	495,287	33,950	—	7·4

TABLE VIII.—Showing the Number of Houses, Families, and Population within the Dublin Metropolitan Police District.

YEARS.	HOUSES.				No. of Families.	POPULATION.		
	Total.	Inhabited.	Uninhabited.	Buildings.		Males.	Females.	Total.
1871, . . .	39,636	37,671	2,017	148	*	336,600	155,049	181,551
1881, . . .	44,618	39,639	4,369	410	74,330	349,088	163,342	185,746
Increase between 1871 and 1881, }	4,782	2,168	2,302	262	—	12,088	8,893	4,195

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